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## Election '93 in New Jersey

For this issue, City News asked candidates running for any governmental office in the 1993 election year to send us bios and campaign information. The responses follow.

### Senator Jim Wallwork

"In 1990, Captain Florio took the helm of a healthy ship, threw overboard the council of Economic Advisors, rammed through his 2.8 billion in taxes and ran New Jersey's economy aground," says Senator Jim Wallwork, Republican candidate for governor.

Reflected, Wallwork has pledged to repeal "every dime of the \$2.2 billion tax increase that remains from Gov. Florio's 1990 spending and taxing spree." He says that he will roll back \$550 million each year over a four year period, which amounts to cutting \$4% from an annual state budget of \$15 billion dollars each year.

"Our state has become a national symbol of economic failure. New Jersey people are among the most over-taxed and over-regulated in America," Wallwork notes.

He says that his 16 years of legislative experience, his military

Jersey, and our state government," says Whitman. "A partnership in which we, the people of New Jersey, can ask for action and expect that our government will respond."

### Cary Edwards

With his vision of a "new direction for a new New Jersey," Cary



Edwards, Republican candidate for governor, says it is time to boost New Jersey's economy through tax cuts for residents and to spur the creation of private sector jobs.

"The three main issues today are jobs, jobs and jobs," says Edwards. "A strong, resurgent economy is the best way to stimulate job growth. We don't do that by increasing state spending by \$1 billion. It is best done by strategic tax cuts to spur economic growth."

Edwards plans to encourage real jobs, promote research and development and support investment tax credits, including a change in Subchapter S status to spur New Jersey's economic growth.

Edwards has also developed a 10-point plan for fighting crime.

"It's time to get back to the basics of providing safe streets, teaching our children and putting people to work," says Edwards. "It's time to put the taxpayers first, time to give them what they pay for."

### Malcolm R. Dunn

"The city of Plainfield needs a vision, more specifically, a leader with a vision. Plainfield needs someone that has a vision beyond 1993 and 1994. Plainfield needs someone that can bring to the table the type of agenda that will take us all into the 21st century. Plainfield needs someone with an economic vision," says Councilman At-Large Malcolm Dunn, candidate for the office of mayor in the City of Plainfield.

The president of Dunn and Sons Maintenance Corp. says that he will use his "proven business experience" to establish coalitions between the private and public sectors for the benefit of this city.

"My personal philosophy as a businessman is driven by a theory that says, 'His staff gets the credit for his successes, but he gets the blame for his failures,'" says Dunn. "Lead-



ership without accountability is not leadership at all," he adds.

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## Brown calls for improved health care in minority communities

TRENTON—The efforts made by the state to address lagging minority health care are inconsistent with the rhetoric, according to Assemblyman Robert Brown.

In response to recent news articles indicating blacks and Hispanics are not as health conscious as whites, Brown (D-Essex) said that

the state's negligence in implementing solid programs to educate and provide for minorities is unconscionable.

"For years we've been talking about the poor and the lack of affordable, quality health care programs directed to the inner city," said Brown. "This talk has rarely been followed by

effective change and as a result, our minorities are suffering."

Brown says that the state holds public hearings each year, and that commitments are made to address the discrepancies in what options are available to whites versus minorities. He notes, however, that the real en-

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## Schundler announces tax, rent cuts

JERSEY CITY—Jersey City Mayor Bret Schundler invited a bipartisan group of state legislators to a press conference last Monday regarding the Mayor's bulk lien sale/tax cut initiative. Senate President Donald DiFrancesco and Assembly Speaker Garbaro "Chuck" Hayatian joined the mayor to announce special legislative action on the bulk lien sale bill, S-1623.

"The legislation will provide the largest tax cut in New Jersey history, and will, for the first time ever, make it illegal in the event of a lien foreclosure to evict tenants without cause," Schundler said. Jersey City tenants will benefit, because New Jersey state law requires that "An owner of qualified rental property shall provide a property tax rebate to tenants for each year in which he receives a property tax reduction." (NJ 54-4-6.4.)

The first draft of the bipartisan legislation, sponsored by DiFrancesco and Hayatian, and Jersey City Democratic legislators Edward O'Connor and Joseph Doria, passed both houses of the Legislature with unanimous bipartisan support. The bill was, however, conditionally vetoed by Governor James Florio citing his desire that a clause be incorporated into the legislation providing tenants with protection from eviction.

"We had already incorporated the desired tenant protection into our Jersey City lien sale contract in order to ensure that no tenant would ever face eviction in connection with lien foreclosure," Schundler noted. "Now my language has been incorporated directly into the state legislation. Once again the state is following our trail-blazing leadership."

Schundler voiced concern that his opponent in next month's Jersey City mayoral election has used the tenant protection issue to create a conflict between homeowners and tenants. "County Freeholder Louis Manzo has been trying to sow the seeds of a class war in Jersey City, between landlords and tenants," Schundler said. "But this legislation puts that effort to rest by both dramatically cutting taxes and absolutely protecting tenants."

Schundler noted that tax bills which are expected to be mailed in mid-May will reflect an average tax cut of \$450 for a home assessed at \$100,000. "That is what our residents need," said Schundler, "not a lot of political rhetoric and scare tactics."

## Alpha Kappa Alpha observes Black Dollar Week



African-American vendors who supported Beta Alpha Omega's Black Dollar Day. Chapter basileus Lamyra Clarke displays facsimile check for \$1,752.44.

NEWARK—Beta Alpha Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. recently observed Black Dollar Week.

"Buying black—giving back" was the goal of Black Dollar Week, which was held April 24-May 2. Another goal was to determine the power of the black dollar. The sorority's objective was to support local black business, to determine the economic power of Alpha Kappa Alpha women, and to use black dollars to gain empowerment in their own communities.

At the recent Black Dollar Campaign, several African-American vendors from the local area had assorted items on sale, including clothing,

assorted cards, hats, t-shirts, Mary Kay products, African Artifacts/books, and Kenne Hats/Accessories.

Vendors included, from East Orange: Genevieve Hardy, Gene-O-Publications; Eysszon Africa; Ayo Durodola of Hadithi - African Storytelling/Books; and Barbara Harris, Your House of My House Fashions-Boutique on Wheels; Bill Parrish Teeshirts, Irvington; and Barbara Vickers, Mary Kay products, Newark. At the end of the Black Dollar Campaign, the chapter netted \$1,752.44 for the event.

According to the chapter president, Lamyra Clarke, "The project

has definitely had an impact, but we must continue this campaign as a means of raising people's consciousness about the plight of black business."

The event was spearheaded by the Cultural/Heritage Committee. Katherine Robinson and Avis Winston are co-chairpersons of this committee. Beta Alpha Omega Chapter has been founded in 1934. It was the first Greek-letter organization that was established in New Jersey. Over the years, Beta Alpha Omega Chapter has been in the vanguard in the area of education and community improvement, spearheading programs in career education, scholarship and health care.

## Experience a day of African tradition



Princess Ayo Durodola

MONTCLAIR-A storytelling workshop, given by Princess Ayo, of Hadithi African Storytelling Inc., will be held on Saturday, May 22, at "Some

Soul To Keep Book Shop," 94 Walnut Street, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. An African Storyteller from Nigeria, Ayo Durodola, a resident of East Orange, invites anyone interested in the art of storytelling to participate in this most exciting workshop. She stresses the advantages it can offer teachers, parents, grandparents and day care center workers.

In addition to learning the art of storytelling, a head tying demonstration will follow the workshop. Participants will be afforded the opportunity of hands-on experience in learning how to tie those great West African ties.

Also highlighted will be entertainment, featuring Princess Ayo Durodola, storyteller and workshop coordinator, and award-winning author, poet, Oonah Hayes.

African Artifacts will be on sale to participants only. A fee of \$25 in advance is required. Tickets will be on sale for \$28 at the door as space permits. For more information, and to reserve your space, please contact 201-675-5107 or 201-783-3309.



## Cricket season opens

Mehendra K. Budhan (L), president of the Queen City Cricket Club, talks with Plainfield Mayor Harold Mitchell during the club's season opening game held on April 11 at Cedarbrook Park. During the day, the Club awarded Mayor Mitchell with a plaque of appreciation for his efforts in promoting the game. Queen City is attempting to recruit members. Anyone interested in learning the game of cricket can call Budhan at 908-756-2860.

## Brown calls for improved health care

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"The budget review almost always results in placing the least amount of money into the minority community and cutting as much as possible, wherever possible in the final analysis. The most acute problems are ignored and the minority mortality rate continues to climb," Brown stressed.

Many minorities don't have the medical coverage needed to maintain their health, and effectively the obvious absence of private practitioners and small scale medical facilities in urban areas does not encourage a change in this cycle, said Brown. He explained that heart disease and diabetes are flourishing within black and Hispanic communities because there's no incentive for medical institutions to locate in those communities.

In citing statistics from the Department of Health, Brown noted that the high cost of health care intimidates minority groups who are not educated about the risks they take by ignoring symptoms of illness.

Brown said that blacks and Latinos account for 67-percent of adult AIDS cases, and 80-percent of pediatric cases and that there must be mandatory, low cost screening and educational information on the personal benefits of regular medical visits in order to turn these numbers around.

"I would think that if a real change were to occur, the Republican controlled Legislature would be obligated to sufficiently fund the programs they so haphazardly cut in last year's budget," said Brown. "Treatment for drug resistant tuberculosis, urban rodent control, AIDS resource centers, AIDS continuing grants: these are all programs that were slashed at the expense of our city residents."

"Minorities are in an abyss of unimproved, health care hardship and will remain there if the state continues to whipsaw reform while screaming about expenses," concluded Brown.

## 'Papa Stopper' to be honored

NEWARK—The popular 84-year-old pianist, Floyd Lang, known within the Newark community as "Papa Stopper," is to be honored by a city-wide community committee at The Priory Restaurant, West Market Street, on Wednesday, May 12 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Duke Anderson, Eddie Backwell, Jackson "Flap" McQueen, Carl McIntyre and A. Jones, all noted musicians, will join the guests in saluting Lang.

"Papa Stopper," a greatly beloved and highly respected musician, has appeared in nightclubs and on TV and radio throughout the county. He has also been the subject of numerous feature articles.

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## Community Calendar

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

WEST ORANGE—Kaiser Institute for Rehabilitation will hold an Open House for the Wheelchair Accessible Gym at 1199 Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange, NJ from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., open to the public. For more information call 201-731-3600, ext. 284.

PLAINFIELD—Plainfield Redi-Shop/Art Agency will be meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the city Hall Library, 515 Watchung Ave. For information call 908-753-3602.

PLAINFIELD—Hubbard Middle School will present Educator Dr. Margaret Lewis to moderate a Parenting Program Panel Discussion with keynote speaker Rev. Donnie Hillard of Second Baptist Church and panelists Dr. Annette Kearney, Dr. Kate Monroe, Dr. Daniel Williams and Rev. Harry Batts. The forum will start at 7 p.m. The Hubbard School is located at 661 West 8th Street, Plainfield, NJ.

DUNELLEN—"Spaghetti Supper" hosted by the Dunellen Methodist Church, located at 150 Dunellen Avenue. Supper served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Adults \$5-children \$4. For reservations call 908-752-7437.

### THURSDAY, MAY 6

SUMMIT—Summit School District presents author and educator Dr. Jawanza

Kunju, known for his book "Countering the Conspiracy to Destroy Black Boys," at 7:30 p.m. at Summit Middle School Auditorium, 272 Morris Ave. A reception and book signing will follow. Admission is free.

### SATURDAY, MAY 8

PLAINFIELD—Du Crest School of the Arts will host its 9th Annual Spring Show and Sale, open to the public, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The gallery is located at 731 West Eighth Street. For more information contact Juanita White at 908-668-7725.

NEWARK—Shahrazad Ali, author of "The Black Woman's Guide to Living Standing the Black Man," will be at "The Chad School, 308 South 9th Street. Doors open at 4 p.m. Vendors will be available. Ali will speak at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. For more information call 201-643-0117.

PLAINFIELD—Sterling Creations Inc. presents its 9th Annual Spring Show and Sale, open to the public, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The gallery is located at 731 West Eighth Street. For more information contact Juanita White at 908-668-7725.

### SATURDAY, MAY 9

PLAINFIELD—The New Jersey State Acts of Kindness Department presents its 5th Annual Mother's Day Cocktail Sip to benefit battered women and children

in Union, Middlesex, & Somerset counties. The event will begin at 5 p.m. at the Mohawk Elk Lodge, 1387 W. 3rd St. Admission is \$10. For information call 908-412-9449.

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### TUESDAY, MAY 11

PLAINFIELD—McDonald's Grand Re-Opening celebration will be held at the renovated East First Street location. Attention all who sing/dance, rap, play, story tellers, poets etc. come be a part of the celebration. Group registration is required. For information stop in at McDonald's on Park Ave. & Second St.

### THURSDAY, MAY 13

JERSEY CITY—Jersey City State College will hold its 7th Annual "Salute to Graduating Seniors of African Heritage" program. Sharon Giles-Alexander will be the guest speaker at 6 p.m. in the North Lounge of the Michael Gilligan Student Union Building, 2039 Kennedy Blvd. For information call Barbara Johnson-Young, 201-200-3234.

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# National News at a glance

By Robert N. Taylor

The following is a weekly summary of top national and international news events affecting the African-American community compiled by the National Black News Survey (NBNS).

**VERDICT IN, BUT CONDITIONS THE SAME IN L.A.:** Despite the collective sigh of relief that descended upon the city following last week's verdict in the Rodney King civil rights case, local activists charge that social conditions remain the same for African-Americans in Los Angeles and may have even worsened. South Central Los Angeles was spared another potentially devastating riot when two of the four white officers charged in the videotaped beating of black motorist Rodney King were found guilty of violating his civil rights. But activists and at least one major study suggest that like other major U.S. cities, Los Angeles continues to lose jobs to distant suburbs, crime worsens and relations with the police show no sign of major improvement. Even the much-heralded "Rebuild L.A." effort has produced little and is currently mired in controversy. Estimates are that less than 20% of the city has been repaired since last spring's riots which caused \$1 billion in damage and left 53 dead.

Only a few signs of change have come from black self-help efforts led by groups such as the Brotherhood Crusade, L.A. Renaissance and the local chapter of the Council of Negro Women. Brotherhood Crusade President Danny Bakerwell calls for job creation and black business growth saying, "I realize that people have not gotten live main message of the uprising... that blacks had been excluded." — LOS ANGELES, CA

**BLACK WINS EASY SEAT IN MISSISSIPPI:** A liberal black democrat last week defeated a conservative republican in a runoff election to fill the congressional seat vacated by Mike Espy. Espy was appointed by President Clinton to head the Agriculture Department. Bennie Thompson captured the Espy seat with 55% of the vote over Hayes Dent. Nearly 60% of the adults in the district, which is one of the poorest in the nation, are black. — JACKSON, MS

**RACIAL CONFLICT INCREASES IN COLLEGE CAMPUSES:** Last Thursday, 16 black students were arrested at the University of North Carolina after occupying the chancellor's office in a dispute over a black cultural center. On the same day, a group of black students at the University of Pennsylvania were arrested and dumped in the trash 14,000 copies of the student newspaper charging "start and cover racism." These two events were just the latest in a series of racial incidents hitting American college campuses. In fact, in its current issue U.S. News & World Report magazine warns, "College campuses are becoming increasingly segregated by race." Experts are unclear as to why race-based controversies are sweeping so many major college campuses at roughly the same time. — CHAPEL HILL, NC

**INCOME OPPORTUNITIES GUIDE COMPILED FOR BLACKS:** A guide detailing "income enhancement techniques" and part-time income opportunities for blacks has been compiled by a Washington, D.C.-based self-help group. The Income Opportunities Guide lists dozens of ways blacks can increase their income ranging from home-based businesses to sponsoring profitable seminars. The guide is the work of the black economic empowerment group of the Better Life Club. It is free but \$2.00 must be included to cover postage and handling. Interested persons can write the Better Life Club, P.O. Box 28422, Washington, D.C. 20036. — WASHINGTON, D.C.

**GOVERNMENT TO PROBE MISSISSIPPI JAIL DEATHS:** The justice division of the U.S. Justice Department last week announced that it will investigate 47 controversial hanging deaths in Mississippi jails since 1957. Most of those who supposedly hanged themselves were black. State prison officials have labeled all the hangings suicides. But a host of civil rights organizations believe several of the men were killed. — JACKSON, MS

**HUNDREDS DYING, THOUSANDS FLEEING IN LIBERIA:** With little international notice, a war is raging in the West African nation of Liberia. It pits the rebel forces of Charles Taylor against a five-nation coalition of African countries led by troops from neighboring Nigeria. The foreign troops are trying to break Taylor's forces in five major towns. Taylor has pretty much defeated the Liberian government forces and according to a peace agreement he was to lay down his arms. But last October he charged that the five-nation coalition was propping up the government he had already defeated and fighting broke out anew. The result has been hundreds of civilians killed and thousands more made homeless. Liberia has found in the 1900's by freed slaves from America. — GREENVILLE, LIBERIA

# Black publisher leads uproar over hangings

by William Reed

Charles Tisdale, owner of the "Jackson Advocate" newspaper in Mississippi, is leading a national campaign to publicize an alarming series of cases in which African-American men have been found hung in Mississippi jails.

The publisher of the 13,000-circulation newspaper is gaining considerable attention over the matter because Mississippi prison officials claim that all of the hangings were self-inflicted "suicides." But, Tisdale says, that a "cover-up" is being carried out.

"The whole ugly story of Mississippi injustice against African-Americans must be told nationally," states the head of Jackson's largest black newspaper.

He thinks that 23 young black men who died in Mississippi's jails over the past three years were murdered, and he wants black Americans to start an "upstart" that will bring attention to the state, and its officials, for justice.

Tisdale, and long-time civil rights leader Joseph Lowery of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), are seeking to bring enough public attention to the hangings so that federal authorities have no alternative but to investigate the cases. Tisdale has been on a national speaking campaign to tell the country about

the cases, alleging that they were executions. He told Washington's WOL-AM's radio audience recently that they should be questioning official findings, released in Mississippi, that 23 black men in police custody committed suicide.

He said, "It's the same kind of bull Mississippi handed out in 1955. But now the Klan was a three-piece suit instead of a pointed hat and robe."

Tisdale, and local Mississippi activists in other professions, have been covered in the "Atlanta Constitution," "New York Times," "USA Today," and other publications, regarding the irregularities of the cases. However, the state's largest daily newspaper, "The Jackson Clarion-Ledger," has been very tepid in covering the cases.

That doesn't surprise Tisdale, who said, "The local newspaper covers the official line only. If we don't do it, it won't get done."

Rev. Lowery has conferred with Vice-president Al Gore on the hangings, and the interim chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights has called for a federal inquiry into the cases.

Bobby Doctor of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission said: "I recommend that the new Justice Department be about the business of reopening the investigation into the situation in Mississippi, and on a national level."

Authorities have pointed out that

Mississippi ranked sixth in the rate of suicides in relation to jail population in a 1988 study. An updated study will reveal that the state now fares even worse.

A White House spokesman said: "We'll review it and obviously it's something the Justice Department is going to have to take responsibility for, but we will review the situation."

Activists in Mississippi, and across the nation, say the way to bring proper state and federal attention to the matter is to bring economic sanction. (continued on page 10)

# The battle for health care



First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Governor Anne Richards keynoted the Liz Carpenter Lectureship Series at the University of Texas in Austin in early April. Mrs. Clinton spoke on health care reform: "What we need to do is to recognize how each of us - whether we are a caregiver or a care receiver - will have to think differently about health care. We will have to come up with a system, that promotes wellness, promotes health and provides care for us when we are sick, that we can afford."

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## EDITORIAL

## Controlled Change

While watching the implosion of one of Newark's landmark buildings making way for the new performing arts center, one could reflect on the cycle of change and growth that must occur for progress to be made. Everything has its time, then it must surrender to some form of change.

Newark is a city in transition like many urban communities in New Jersey. Many of our communities have structures that should be cared for and maintained serving an important function for the citizens. There are others like the old Military Park Hotel that had to be destroyed in order for Newark to go forward with its world class center—a center whose function is key to the quality of life in Newark, and restoration of Newark's position as New Jersey's number one cultural city.

In many African-American communities, it's time to begin to look at the structures—both physical and institutional—to determine whether their function is still sufficient for the communities' needs or whether they should be replaced with new structures that will give more people an opportunity to improve their living conditions.

The list of structures is broad. It covers everything from buildings and houses, to politicians and school systems that stand year after year for either the progress of our community or its decline.

As a people, we have been reluctant to change, many times accepting those conditions that have become impediments to our progress.

We don't have to wait for elections or uprisings or extraordinary events to begin our journey of change for progress. We can do as the public/private partnerships responsible for the performing arts center have done. We can evaluate, plan, and above all, control those conditions fundamental for the development of quality living in our communities and if necessary, blow it up to make way for progress.



by Sharon Khadijah Vincent

## A vote for the children

The recent school board elections in Newark demonstrate very clearly that the special interest groups control the public school systems. The pathetic, low turnout in the majority of local school districts where elections were held favor these groups and their agendas. In fact, these groups are happy when the majority of parents don't participate and fail to cast their votes, because that means that the candidates which they sponsor will be elected and any referendum or budgets which they favor will pass.

For those school officials who want to boast about their so-called "parental involvement," the facts point to another reality. Most schools failed to get the majority of the parents who have children in the system, with fewer than ten percent even bothering to exercise their franchise rights. Most of the votes were derived from members of special interest groups, their family and friends. Meetings were targeted to get out their supporters so that the impact of their voting block could determine the outcome of the elections.

When I went to vote at my local polling place, I knew it was business as usual, since it was 8 p.m. and I was only the 32nd person to have voted at that particular location all day. The school where I voted has an enrollment of over 400 students, so clearly most of the parents from that area hadn't even come out to vote. This voting location is normally one of the busiest, so it was very dismal indeed. It certainly wasn't helpful that the school district didn't get a mailing out in time informing people about the election. Mine came in the mail the same day of the election, which was of no help since I went straight to the polling place and didn't see the literature until after I had voted.

In the past, school officials have usually blamed the post office, stating that they failed to deliver the mail on time. This year will probably be the same. Can you think of any better excuse? After all, who could disprove it, unless you interrogated every postal worker who handled the mailing? One could certainly question the sincerity of these claims though, when this keeps happening year after year.

Ultimately, though, the fault lies with each and every citizen who fails to participate in the electoral process. School board budgets, generally, account for approximately 40% of our tax dollars, so it's reasonable to think that more people would want to participate. I'm tired of doing these analyses every year, trying to find out the reasons why people didn't vote. We each have to accept the responsibility for our actions, and reality points to laziness and complacency. We keep getting business as usual because we allow it to happen.

The day after, excuses are all over the place. "Oh, I forgot." "Was there really a school board election?" Or claims such as, "My vote wouldn't have made a difference anyway." If that makes you feel better, so be it! But, when people claim they don't understand why our young people are so messed up, and their attitudes are so bad etc., etc., it's not too difficult to figure out why. Remember, we are supposed to be the role models for our young people, and it appears they are only emulating what they see.

It's good that the majority of school budgets passed because we should be willing to invest in our children. Unfortunately, it's too bad that the administration of some of that money is controlled by individuals who are interested only in lining the pockets of their friends or associates for political gain or power, and that the children's interests are of little or no concern. Money in the hands of fools and opportunists usually equal more taxes, fewer services, and unsatisfactory results. If you didn't vote, you have only yourself to blame for allowing these events to continue, along with the adverse effects on

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by Connie Woodruff

Concern, frustration and righteous indignation were part of the scenario of a three-hour "community meeting" convened by the United Clergy of the Orange and discussed the status of the African-American voters and the Democratic Party in Essex County and the state.

More than 300 eager listeners joined the clergy and political activists to determine a course of action intended to educate, agitate and motivate parishioners and the community-at-large to make a united push for political equity and self-empowerment in Essex.

We knew it was going to be tough going for the local pols when Rev. Reginald T. Jackson, pastor of the host church, St. Matthews A.M.E. in Orange, opened the meeting by declaring black people must stop allowing the Essex County Democratic Party to take their votes for granted.

This brought an immediate mumbled response from the predominantly black audience (about a half dozen whites were in attendance). We all know any reference to blacks being taken for granted has the effect of bringing out the beast in the best of us.

Rev. Jackson described African-American voters as "the most loyal constituency of the Democratic Party in the state and county," "loyal," he taken for granted and ignored except at election time. "We're tired of the status quo," he said, "and we're sick and tired of being ignored except at election time."

Other speakers included East Orange pastors, Reverends David Cousins, St. Paul A.M.E. Church, Byron R. Lennon, Divinity Baptist Church, Railroad Wheeler, Park Avenue Christian Church and Michael Sylva, pastor of the United Missionary Baptist Church.

Also Rev. Richard of the New Jersey Newark Black Churchmen and Rev. Elder Faison, pastor, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Orange spoke. The UCO's political education program for suburban black communities is a new version of a long standing black church tradition of ministers leading the flock to political, social and economic freedom and self-help.

Rev. Wheeler said the clergy were prompted to speak out when they read in a newspaper and heard rumors that party officials are already declaring candidates running on the Republican Party line would win the primary election because blacks have nowhere else to go. "We are also outraged that many of our black elected officials would be on the party line so badly they're dancing like puppets on a string."

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## As I See It...

Speaking later on "The Challenge Before Us (as black people)," Rev. Jackson warned against African-Americans becoming slaves to the myth of the "line" and not voting for candidates on their merit. "Too often candidates on the 'line' are chosen because they hold county jobs and their livelihood is tied to the whims of county leadership or they are known to the power structure as weak candidates who can be manipulated and controlled."

Rev. David Cousins, St. Paul A.M.E.'s new young pastor said black leaders who allow county bosses to divide and conquer by pitting blacks against each other cause some of the problems the black community faces in the struggle for empowerment. "With some black elected officials their first allegiance is to the party and not their constituents. They know what the county leadership does in Newark, East Orange, Orange and Irvington to keep us divided and confused and weak as a political force is not done in other cities in the county."

Conspicuous by their absence were some of the old familiar Democratic Party faithful who seldom seem to miss a rally or party or gathering of more than one Democrat. Only one incumbent and one newcomer running in the East Orange primary made the five minute trip from their home base.

Rev. Byron Lennon said, "Educating people for self-empowerment is a logical mission for the church that has always had the responsibility of educating, informing and motivating communities to help themselves. God will not do for us what we can do for ourselves to gain political equity and empowerment for our people," he said.

Rev. Elder Faison told the SRO crowd, "This project is not about religion. It's about the survival of the African-American community. It's about respect. It's about holding blacks and whites elected to office accountable to the voters who make their victories possible."

"We're carrying out a Christian tradition like the biblical watchmen on the wall and we will overcome." He attributed Toni D'Alessio's county executive victory to the black majorities in Newark, East Orange, Orange, Irvington and Montclair. "Before votes from these predominantly black cities came in Mr. D'Alessio was losing in 16 of 21 cities county-wide."

He also said the black vote in the aforementioned cities gave Armando Fontoura and Senator Bill Bradley a winning margin in the election for county sheriff and U.S. senator.

Rev. Jackson said what blacks have lost over the last two years under a Democratic majority in county government is "disgraceful." Losses he claimed have been county Surrogate, Vocational School Superintendent, all black department heads and directors, county administrator and "hundreds of county em-

ployees, most of whom were black."

He further charged the county executive has never appointed the Black Advisory Committee he promised would advise him on matters of importance to blacks "as one of his campaign pledges." And allegedly sanctioned the creation of a Majority leader for the Board of Freeholders, a move that reduced the Freeholder presidency to a figurehead with reduced power.

"It's just common sense that with Mr. D'Alessio serving in the dual capacities as county executive and county Democratic chairman, poor government is the result. It's clear to us blacks have regressed rather than progressed. Our leadership is divided and turned into personal enemies and blacks as a community are manipulated and exploited."

A proposed Plan of Action by United Clergy of the Oranges calls for:

- Replacing D'Alessio as Essex County Democratic Party chairman.

- Support of an African-American to succeed D'Alessio.

- Support of Assembly Bill 869 outlawing dual office holding.

- Advising candidates who want clergy support they must publicly state opposition to re-election of the current Democratic county chairman after the June primary.

- Invite Republican candidates to make a serious effort to win African-American voters in an effort to strengthen the concept of a two-party system in Essex County and in the state.

- Determine number of African-American voters who have county contracts.

- Review contracts between county and owners of welfare homes. (This request already made to county executive who is expected to respond within two weeks).

- Demand Freeholders abolish positions of Majority and Minority leaders and restore authority formerly vested in the office of board president.

Well, thanks to the United Clergy of the Oranges, the 1993 June primary will not be a dull, tiresome rite of Spring.

As the news on the political block these suburban pastors promise excitement and maybe an upset or two in the status quo. More importantly, it's a wake-up call for Democrats and Republicans who share a long history of taking African-Americans for granted. Because many of the United Clergy of the Oranges are baby boomers weaned on the philosophy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a fresh new breeze is blowing through the jungles of New Jersey and Essex County politics.

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# Youth/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

## Central Jersey Class of 2000 looks to tomorrow

### KIDS

#### Kalendar

#### THURSDAY, MAY 6

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD**-South Plainfield High School Players Drama Club will perform a Collection of Grimm Brothers and Aesop's Fables at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 adults and \$3 children and students. A donation fee for this performance. Call 908-754-4620 for more information.

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#### SATURDAY, MAY 8

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD**-South Plainfield High School Players Drama Club will perform a Collection of Grimm Brothers and Aesop's Fables at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 adults and \$3 children, students, and seniors. Call 908-754-4620 for more information.

#### SUNDAY, MAY 9

**PLAINFIELD**-Plainfield invites all local youngsters to the Arco Jesse Owens Games. For more information call 908-753-3595.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 15

**PLAINFIELD**-ShaoLin Martial Arts School, located at 820 Second Place, is offering Kung Fu for all ages. Saturday morning, Class A 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and Class B 1 p.m.-3 p.m. To attend a free class or enroll your child call 908-961-5130.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 22

**KEARNY**-Essex County CYO Youth Ministries is sponsoring a CYO Dance "Salsa Latin-American Dance" from 8 p.m. to midnight at the youth center in Kearny. Tickets are \$20 in advance. \$10 at the door. For information call Della Bayona at 201-998-0602.

## "Unity Essay" contest draws unprecedented response

**NEW YORK**-Nearly 700 high school seniors in the greater New York area have taken on the challenge to win the African-American and Korean-American community by submitting essays in the Coca Cola Bottling Company of New York's "Unity Essay Scholarship" contest.

The contest, funded by Coca Cola Company and the Korean American Grocers Association (KAGRO), is administered by the New York State Conference of Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Each of the five winners will receive a \$2,000 college scholarship to the school of their choice.

The winning essays will be selected by the NAACP's Education Committee and will be announced at a press conference held in early May. As the winners of the "Unity Essay" contest are honored, 16 local high school seniors, who are among 150 students nationwide to earn college scholarships through Coca Cola USA's Scholars Foundation Program, will be recognized.

High school seniors from five boroughs, Nassau and Westchester counties were invited to write a concise essay addressing the topic: "Unity of Cultures: What It Means to You in Your Community," to describe how people of different backgrounds can agree on common goals and work to achieve them through a united effort.

## Miss Teenage America search begins

**TROY, Mich.**-The search for 1994 Miss Teenage America began in Kmart's ladies fashion department May 1 as contestants picked an official entry form, according to the retailer. The entry deadline is July 15, 1993.

"Teen" Magazine operates the program which recognizes outstanding young women between the ages of 12 and 18. Now in its 32nd year, the competition emphasizes scholastic achievement, individual accomplishment, community service, police, general awareness, appearance and personality. Contestants must have a 3.0 or better grade point average and be enrolled in high school through at least 1994.

Miss Teenage America 1994 will receive a \$15,000 college scholarship and a year's worth of clothes from Kmart. She will enjoy modeling opportunities with the company's sponsors, her own monthly column in "Teen," and will appear on the cover of the magazine as well as make radio and television appearances nationwide.

The 1993 recipient of the title is Mary Nygren, 17, from Fullerton, California. She was selected from more than 10,000 applicants. Mary will serve as Kmart's 1993 Teen Fashion Advisor, participating in store openings and making other community appearances on behalf of Kmart.

"Every year, teens spend more than \$57 billion and influence over \$132 billion in purchases. It's clear that clothing and appearance are important to teens. As Kmart's

**FREEHOLD**-Delegates representing more than 6,500 Central Jersey fifth-graders, along with their parents, teachers, principals, and business leaders, filled the Rutgers University Livingston Campus Recreation Center on April 14, at 6:30 p.m., for the Central Jersey Class of 2000 Convention. The 170 delegates represented schools, throughout the six-county Central Jersey region, that participated in the "Dear Mr. President Contest" this school year.

The Livingston Center, festooned with red, white and blue bunting, conveyed the feeling of a real political convention hall. With banners flying high and flags waving, the delegates marched into the hall to celebrate and be honored for their outstanding efforts in the Dear Mr. President Contest.

Following the National Anthem, Kirby Wood, Vice President, Central Jersey Bank, greeted the students, their families and teachers. Then, the recently completed video documentary, entitled "Dear Mr. President: Letters from the Class of 2000," which chronicles the contest, was shown for the first time.

Later, Mr. James Killough, President Central Jersey Class of 2000 Board of Trustees and Executive Vice President, Central Jersey Bank, addressed the group and introduced a group of children who read their letters. Special remarks of congratulations were read from U.S. Senator Bill Bradley, who serves on the Program's Advisory

Council.

In the fall of 1992, the Central Jersey Class of 2000 Program launched the Dear Mr. President Contest by asking fifth-graders throughout the six-county region to write to the newly-elected President of the United States. In their letters, the students answered the question, "Why is education important to our nation?" The program was carefully designed to involve students in the 1992 presidential election and to stimulate discussion on the role education has on their future.

"The response to this program has been tremendous," says James Killough. "These children have a lot to say about the future of our nation and the world. The letters reflect their concerns about the economy, the environment and education. And they show their optimism about the future and our ability, as an educated nation, to tackle problems and unearth solutions."

Each principal, of the 170 participating schools, was given the difficult task of selecting one winner to represent that school's class of 2000 at the convention. Selection criteria was based on depth of thought, content and student's individual effort.

According to Patricia Zaboniak, principal of the Freehold Learning Center in Freehold, N.J., "The judging process was a very difficult one. I read the letters and said 'wow' these children really have a lot to say to the President. As an educator, I am con-

vinced that our country will be in good hands in the year 2000."

The Central Jersey Class of 2000 Convention is the culmination of the third year of the Central Jersey Class of 2000 Program, a non-profit, public/private partnership, initiated by Central Jersey Bank in 1991. The program is three-fold, offering educational enrichment, motivational programs, and financial assistance for higher education for members of the class of 2000.

The program is open to all children in the high school graduating class of 2000 in the six Central New Jersey counties of Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Somerset and Union. For information on becoming a partner or sponsor of the Central Jersey Class of 2000 Program, or about the program itself, call 1-800-553-5481.



Central Jersey Bank's Bernice Alston cheers the 32 Union County delegates to the Central Jersey Class of 2000 Convention just before they enter the convention hall. The delegates were all winners of the "Dear Mr. President" contest. The contest was part of this year's Central Jersey Class of 2000 Program, a public/private partnership, initiated in 1991 by Central Jersey Bank.

## Videos by NJ children broadcast nationally

**HOLMDEL**-Music videos based on prize-winning songs by New Jersey students are being broadcast throughout the United States as well as distributed in instructional kits to public and non-public schools across New Jersey.

The music videos are part of a non-profit public service campaign called Sing Out for Safety. Designed to educate children about auto safety, the campaign is sponsored by The Prudential Property and Casualty Insurance Company of Holmdel.

"U.S.A. Network is broadcasting one of the videos from the kids' show 'Calypso,' and a variety of other networks and channels are making plans to show them too,"

says Don Southwell, president of the Company. "They have also been picked up by 113 public television stations."

In addition, Southwell says that video news releases and public service announcements that feature the songs have been broadcast on 68 commercial television stations and 216 stations across the nation.

The songs in the music videos were written and submitted to a statewide competition by New Jersey fifth graders and their teachers. Several of the winning songs, were then arranged into three, 3-minute music videos, each with a distinct format: pop, gospel and animation.

According to Southwell, the principals of all elementary and middle schools in New Jersey will receive the music videos on video cassettes, early in 1993, as part of a multi-media instructional kit to help busy teachers educate their students about auto safety and involve families.

"In 1990 alone, 170,000 American children up to

the age of 14 were injured or died in auto-related accidents," says Southwell. "We hope that the Sing Out for Safety music videos and the instructional kits will encourage youngsters to think about and practice safe auto behaviors to avoid unnecessary accidents."

Southwell says the kits also contain an audio tape of all the prize-winning entries and Resource and Activities Guide, that features: key facts about auto safety; a self-test of safe auto behaviors for students and their families; an annotated bibliography; and a list of related free and inexpensive teaching materials. Teaching suggestions in the Guide encourage creativity and emphasize instructional strategies such as a disciplinary and "whole language" approaches.

A limited number of Sing Out for Safety instructional kits can be made available to preschoolers by request by telephoning 908-946-5133.

## 4-H Action Days to be held at Rutgers

**EAST ORANGE**-NJ 4-H Action Days is a statewide conference for teens, to be held June 29 through July 1 on the Cook College campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick. All young, grades 6-13 (one year out of high school), are invited to share this fun and educational experience with an estimated 225 teens from throughout New Jersey. Action Days participants do not have to be 4-H members.

According to Mary Lou Mayfield, Essex County 4-H Program Assoc., the event will consist of two, in-depth, four-and-a-half hour, hands-on workshops and many fun and social activities. When registering, teens will be able to choose from more than a dozen different workshops, ranging from beginning photography, how to buy your first car, food and fitness, horse care, riding A.T.V.'s, safety, CPR, cartooning, and more.

Workshops will be taught by a variety of Rutgers faculty and staff and be action-oriented. Many will involve field trips, tours, or use of the campus laboratories. Participants will

come home with new skills and possibly a finished product of their work. NJ 4-H Action Days is appropriately themed, "I think it, do it, make it happen!"

Participants will stay in campus dormitories and be exposed to many other campus facilities. The cost for the conference, including lodging, all meals, and workshop registration is \$100. Some workshops may require small additional fees to cover the cost of special materials or transportation.

NJ 4-H Action Days is being sponsored by the 4-H Youth Development Program at Rutgers Cooperative Extension. Besides teens, adults are also invited to attend and serve as chaperones as well as attend workshops that interest them. There will also be workshops planned just for adults.

Registration forms and more information can be obtained from the county 4-H Office of Rutgers Cooperative Extension. Call 201-678-7807. Applications are due no later than May 14.

teen employee, Mary will provide the latest fashion tips and advice on how to get a great look without spending a lot of money," said Rick Pellino, divisional vice president of Kmart Fashions.

## Summer youth employment in Plainfield

**PLAINFIELD**-Plainfield Action Service/Mayor's Task Force on Youth will be conducting a Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Summer Youth Employment and Training Program designed to provide disadvantaged youths between the ages of 14-21 with employment. Interested Plainfield youths should contact Mrs. Betty Blake at Plainfield Action Services, 510 Walcutt Avenue, 908-753-3519, or Mr. James Roach at 908-753-3680. Deadline for applications is Friday, May 21.

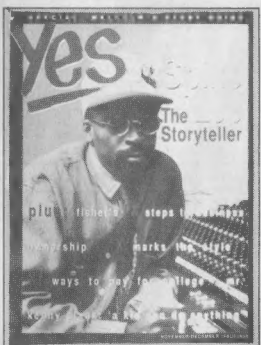
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## Malcolm X Commemoration

NEWARK—More than eighty organizations are co-sponsoring the People's Organization for Progress annual Malcolm X Birthday Commemoration. This event will be held on May 19th at 6 p.m. at George Washington Carver School located at 333 Clinton Place.

There will be poetry readings, an awards ceremony for a Malcolm X essay contest, vendors, and other cultural presentations. Remarks will be made by Larry Hamm, Chairman of the People's Organization for Progress, Newark Councilman Donald Tucker, and Dr. La Francis Rogers-Rose. Additionally, the featured speakers, all noted authors and teachers, will be Amir Barka, Dr. William Sales, and Dr. Lenworth Gunther.

There will be continuous events from May 19 through May 25. On Saturday, May 22, there will be a bus trip to the site where Malcolm was buried. The bus will leave from 944 Broad Street at 10 a.m. The cost is \$20

per person. On Sunday, May 23, there will be an event at St. Rocco's school. Other events will be announced in the near future.

"We are honoring Malcolm X because of his many contributions to the struggle of African people for human rights and self-determination," said POP Chairman Larry Hamm.

Jinamiza King of Africa - Newark, has asked that the community join us under the theme, "Advance the legacy of Malcolm X - Organize politically, educate historically, liberate Africans at home and abroad permanently."

Had he lived, Malcolm would have been 68 years old this month. Future planning meetings for the birthday observance are scheduled for May 6 and May 13 at the Paul Robeson Center at Rutgers in Newark. For information and vendor participation, please call 201-643-7711.

## Election '93 in New Jersey

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### Mark Fury

Mark Fury, senior attorney with the Hertz Corporation, announced his candidacy for the office of mayor of Plainfield, stating that as a resident, taxpayer, and active member of the community he was dissatisfied with the crop of likely candidates and their inability to address the city's many problems.

He has served as chairman of the Plainfield Charter Study Committee; has been a multi-term president of the Plainfield Frontiers International; serves as counsel to Plainfield's Friends of the Senior Citizens' Center; and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Neighborhood House as well as the city's chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

### Bob Ferraro

"I firmly believe and resolve that

Plainfield, with caring competent leadership, can once again be a proud, affordable, and safe place to live," says Bob Ferraro, Plainfield Mayor candidate.

Ferraro says that he decided to declare his candidacy for mayor because of his concerns for the safety of the citizens of the city and the apparent lack of ability to continue to afford to live in Plainfield.

If elected, Ferraro plans to re-open the transfer station; activate city-wide cleanups and new services which include doing our own trash and recycling pickups in order to lower household costs and reduce taxes; and assure a more positive education and recreation programs for our youth.

"Plainfielders represent an enormous diversity of cultures and backgrounds and yet our leaders have failed to bring these talents together, and through their own poor example and lack of ability as a team have driven our cultures further apart," says Ferraro. "It is time for change and it is up to each and every one of us to put aside, political party, color and background differences."

### Cardell Cooper

"I am proud of the accomplishments made during my admini-



stration," says Incumbent Mayor Cardell Cooper of East Orange.

In noting the accomplishments of his administrations, Cooper highlighted the City's improved public safety; improvements in affordable housing; and community based programs that focus on strengthening the family.

The mayor, whose campaign slogan is "Keep Cardell Cooper - A mayor we are proud of," went on to

discuss the elimination of the City's \$8 million deficit, which was inherited from the previous administration, the reduction in the City's property taxes for two years in a row and the creation of a \$10 million budget surplus.

"While I am proud of the progress made during my tenure as Mayor, there still remains a great deal of work to be done," he says. "My record is proof that I have the ability, the concern, the commitment and the dedication to see that our City continues its upward trend."

### Valorie Caffee

The campaign of independent NJ State Senate Candidate Valorie Caffee "is part of a growing grassroots movement to create a new, independent, multi-racial, and multi-ethnic political vehicle. This new vehicle is named the '17th District Progressive Coalition.'"

"In this area, the two major parties have become the parties of PACs, patronage and profits. People feel locked out and they are locked out," she says. "Our campaign is about returning the electoral process to the people. It's about real democracy. We're helping to empower people so that they'll have real representation in state government."

If elected, Caffee promises to work for real health care reform, job creation and retention, for tax fairness, for investment in our schools and teachers, for environmental protection and for respect and justice for the State's diverse racial and ethnic groups.

"The 17th District Progressive Coalition is going to be around for the long haul," she says. "Make no mistake, we are running to win."

### State Sen. Ronald L. Rice

### Assem. Harry McEnroe

### Assem. James Zangari

Essex County 28th District incumbents State Senator Ronald L. Rice and Assemblymen Harry McEnroe and James Zangari will most likely be unchallenged in the upcoming primary election. All three emphasize the teamwork that has gone into the successful development of

legislation that speaks to the needs and concerns of their constituents.

"We've served our constituents as aggressive spokesmen and will continue to do so," says McEnroe, a member of Task Force on Auto Theft and one of two NJ legislators on the Eastern States Environmental Task Force of the Council of State Governments.

"Each member of the team has their own unique and dynamic qualities that make us a team of distinction," said Zangari, who is running for reelection to his eighth term in the Assembly.

Rice, who is also West Ward Councilman in the City of Newark, said, "In the short time since redistricting created the new 28th District, the team of Rice, McEnroe and Zangari have attempted to prove to the voters and local governments that we are accessible, visible and committed to addressing their concerns."

### Nia H. Gill

### Freeholder Leroy J. Jones

Nia H. Gill and Essex County Freeholder Leroy J. Jones (D-East Orange) will be running for New Jersey State Assembly in the 27th District on a line-up with incumbent state Senator Richard Codey and East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper.

Gill, an attorney and member of the New Jersey Council of the Arts, and Jones, business administrator for the City of East Orange, both realize that the economic heart of this legislative district is the small business community.

They believe that business tax credits and other incentives to permit small business operators to expand existing services, increase employment, and permit the financial institutions ability to lend funds to the small business community — will create an economic atmosphere necessary and conducive to growth.

"Legislative action is desperately needed now to recreate the successful small business atmosphere which existed years ago," they explain.

### Robert L. Bowser

"East Orange can be better, but it (continued on page 6)

## Ric-Charles Choral Ensemble presents Spring Concert



The Ric-Charles Choral Ensemble will present its Thirteenth Annual Spring Concert on Saturday, May 15, under the artistic leadership of Winston Hughes and Robert E. Winder Jr., at the Mount Calvary Baptist Church, 235-251 Seymour Ave. in Newark, at 7:30 p.m., joining the Ensemble will be pianist, Kenneth Brown guest accompanist. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased in advance. For ticket reservation and information please call 908-561-5677.

## City residents to be jailed for "Jerry's Kids"

NEWARK/JERSEY CITY—Both the First Annual Hudson Mall Lock-Up and the First Annual Newark Lock-Up to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) will be held on May 6.

The Hudson Mall Lock-Up will be held at the mall, located on Route 440 in Jersey City, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Newark Lock-Up will be held at the Port-

Street in Newark, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Hudson Mall's center court and the Portuguese Pavilion will both be transformed into mock courtrooms and jail sites for local business officials and residents. Police officials will be seen driving through town escorting those who have agreed to be arrested for "Jerry's Kids" to their jail site.

Once the jail birds arrive at either

site, their bail will be set. Then, they will be given a cellular phone to contact family, friends and business associates in an attempt to obtain bail for their release.

Refreshments will be available for all participants so the Pavilion, the Mall and MDA won't be charged with prisoner mistreatment. Anyone interested in participating or sponsoring the event should call MDA at 201-974-0300.

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## CITY LIFE

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NOW THRU JUNE 27

**TRENTON**—Sixty-two works by the Georgia-born African-American artist Benny Andrews will be on view at the New Jersey State Museum. "The America Series," represents various aspects of American life through the eyes of an over-alert visual storyteller. For more information call 609-292-6464.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

**NEW YORK**—Manny's Car Wash, Home of the Blues, will feature, from the Muddy Waters' Band, Bob Margolin. For showtimes and directions call 212-365-2563. The club is located at 1558 Third Ave.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

**NEW BRUNSWICK**—Tony Award winner Gregory Hines comes to New Brunswick's State Theatre as part of George Street Playhouse's Fifth Annual Gala Benefit. An orchestra with an ensemble of back-up singers and dancers will complement Hines in this cabaret-style evening, beginning at 7 p.m. For more information call 908-846-2895.

MONDAY, MAY 10

**NEW YORK**—The Blue Note Bar & Restaurant and Columbia Records presents "Monday Nights at The Blue Note" featuring Marion Jordan. The club is located at 131 West 3rd Street. For showtimes and reservations call 212-475-8592.

MAY 11 THRU JUNE 28

**NEW YORK**—Each, Wind & Fire, an exhibition of fine art by Penumbar, will be on view at the New York Academy of Sciences. Monday through Friday from 10 to 4 and most evenings until 9 p.m. The Academy is located at 2 East 63 Street. For more information call 212-387-9102.

MAY 23 THRU MAY 30

**BROOKLYN**—BAM Dance Africa '93 celebrates its "Sweet Sixteen" Birthday Anniversary with features from more than twenty dance companies and more than 100 performers, including the kick off with 52 Motorcycle Motorcade from Harlem to Brooklyn. For ticket information call 718-636-4100.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

**BLOOMFIELD**—Jersey Jams—An All Star Jazz Concert hosted by Bloomfield College and the New Jersey Chamber Music Society, featuring jazz artist "Doc" Cheatham, Dorothy Donegan, Jon Faddis, Milt Hinton and many more. The concert will be held at 7 p.m. at the Christ Episcopal Church of Bloomfield. To order tickets call 201-748-4874.

JUNE 24 THRU SEPT. 30

**NEW YORK**—A Summer Full of "Jazz" will be held at The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts, located at 405 Lincoln Center Plaza. For information call 212-870-1030. Admission is free.

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# In the Ring: A knock out at Snug Harbor

by Lisa Crawley

If you enjoy the high energy of a night at the fights, then make sure to mark Snug Harbor down on your calendar.

"In the Ring", a multi-media exhibition on boxing is currently on display through May at Snug Harbor's Newhouse Gallery. Featuring an eclectic mix of photos, paintings and installations, the display offers a unique look at the popular and controversial issues surrounding the sport of boxing.

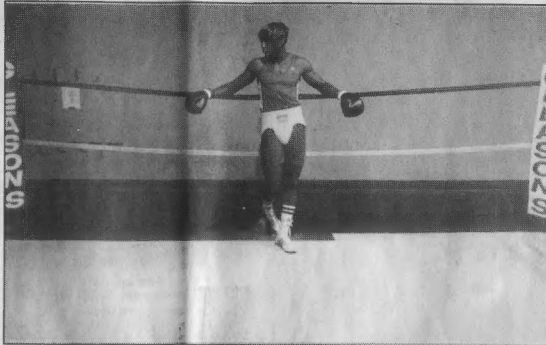
Since the turn of the century, boxing has capitalized on its own popularity by creating a steady stream of celebrities from Jack Johnson to Muhammad Ali. In an installation piece by Terry Adkins, boxing great Jack Johnson appears along side jazz trumpeter Miles Davis.

An impromptu ring fashioned of diverse materials occupies center stage. Here a trove of Johnson's prize-winning gold pieces lie juxtaposed to Davis's gold trumpet. In one photo Johnson poses with show girl dancers. In another, Davis is cast leaning against a boxing ring with gloved hands.

This dynamic duo constantly trade off their passions for music, boxing, art and the high life. It is this piece of parallel imagery which propel visitors from room to room.

For many African- and Latin-American fighters, boxing is seen as a one way ticket out of poverty. This fact is made clear in the photography of photojournalist Martin Barakat. In one picture, a father's eyes beam with pride as he clenches the gloved hands of his eight-year-old son. The viewer is left to ponder how many of these pint-sized novices will ever cash in on boxing's fame and fortune.

In Martin Wong's "Down With the Count," the audience is invited to experience the power of a knockout punch. Center stage of the boxing ring does not occupy center stage of the canvas. Instead Wong has painted a fight scene at the base of a huge vertical canvas extending nearly 12 feet in height. At the very bottom we see two fighters—meadowing above his dazed opponent who lies flat on



This untitled photo by Jules Allen can be seen at the "In the Ring" exhibition at Snug Harbor's Newhouse Gallery through May 30. Courtesy of GOC Art Gallery

his back staring towards the ceiling which appears light years away.

With the sweep of a brush, Wong's canvas moves to the soaring spirits of boxing notables Sam Mambly and Hector "Macho" Camacho. Mambly is pitted against Angel Cruz in Wong's take of a fight poster which reads "Live Professional Boxing Plus Other Great Bouts." Adjacent to him, the Macho Man

looms large on canvas sporting a pair of fire engine red gloves.

The real knockout punch is delivered when the photographer's camera explores the world of the gym. On an up close and personal tour, amateurs and professionals alike are cast pounding away at speed bags and sparring partners. In one photo, these gladiators appear chiseled and trimmed. In the next, they are caught

in compromising positions. With wrapped hands, sporting hooded robes, two boxers lie sprawled along wooden benches. Are they the epitome of cool or have they just been taken out for the count? The question remains for you to answer.

See "In the Ring" through May 30 at Snug Harbor's Newhouse Gallery 1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island. Admission is free.

## IBWC presents 'From the Mississippi Delta'

**NEWARK**—The critically acclaimed play "From the Mississippi Delta" comes to Newark Symphony Hall's 2nd Floor Theatre for six performances only, May 14 - 23. Written by Dr. Endesha Ida Mae Holland, the play is an autobiographical account of an African-American woman's rise from a life of teen prostitution and thievery, through civil rights activism, to eventually earning her Ph.D.

Dr. Endesha (a Swahili name meaning "she who drives herself and others forward"), Ida Mae Holland was born in Greenwood, Mississippi to a poor midwife and brothel owner. A chance encounter there with a civil rights worker rescued her from a life of prostitution and drew her into the civil rights movement. From Mississippi, she moved to Minnesota where she earned her bachelor's and doctorate degrees, and eventually became a playwright. Internationally recognized as an artist, scholar and champion of African-American women's issues, Dr. Holland is currently Associate Professor of American Studies at the State University of New York in Buffalo. "From the Mississippi Delta" is the dramatic telling of the story of this remarkable life through the voices of three actresses who each play a variety of roles.

This International Black Women's Congress production is directed by New York actor/director, Keshasha Ali. Mr. Ali is a Professor of Theatre at Ramapo College where he directed Cloud Nine, and directed and appeared in "Joe Turner's Come and Gone."

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# CITY BUSINESS

## Business Calendar

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SATURDAY, MAY 8

**UNION**—Union County Office for Cultural and Heritage Affairs presents "Tips For Success" from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Elizabethtown Gas Company, 1085 Morris Ave., across from Kean College. For information call 908-558-2550. Admission prices are \$10 and \$8.

TUESDAY, MAY 11

**TRENTON**—As part of its "Business Over Breakfast Series," Mercer County Community College will hold a workshop entitled "Employee Subsidies and Tax Incentive Programs," covering state and federal programs offering subsidies and/or tax breaks to businesses and procedures, qualifications, and administrative requirements. For registration information call 609-986-9446.

## Election '93 in New Jersey

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requires dedication and an effort at all levels of government to meet input from citizens to turn things around," says Robert L. Bowser, candidate for the 3rd Ward East Orange City Council seat. "We have to stop



## NJN launches 'The Business Plan'



Lorraine Black, small business entrepreneur, audio/radio producer and media placement specialist, hosts The New Jersey Channel's (NJN) first programming dedicated solely to small business, "The Business Plan." The 30-minute interview and call-in program provides information to the small business community on the management of a small business. It is designed to be entertaining and informative, and will prove to be profitable to its listeners. Every Monday at 5:30 p.m., the program will draw on guests to share their experiences and methods of coping with an ever-changing economic environment.

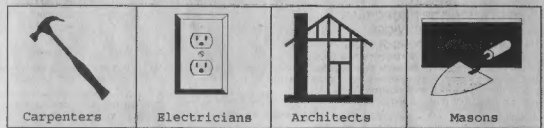
dwelling on negatives because we start to believe that's all there is; positive thinking promotes positive action, pride and progress."

Bowser, a principal engineer for the Newark Board of Education who has maintained a civil engineering, surveying and planning firm in East Orange for the past 20 years, says that his experience in engineering and planning "will be helpful in getting some projects built" as opposed to the

repetitive lip service the citizens have gotten lately."

Former director of Public Works for the City of East Orange, Bowser says he will devote the time and energy necessary to make things happen in the areas of youth and senior citizen activities, recreation and education.

"East Orange will be better when we all work together in a cooperative spirit to accomplish this common goal," says Bowser.



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## RE-BID INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS SCOPE OF SERVICES EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANT

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH is currently soliciting proposals from qualified Drug Education consultants to provide services for three (3) public housing developments including Youths and Families with regard to drug use and prevention.

Perspective consultants will be responsible for coordinating workshops, seminars, group sessions, and other related educational support services with a major focus on Youths between the ages of 6-21 and their families. Responsibilities will include but not be limited to the following:

- The contractor will be expected to perform a combination of thirty-six (36) of the activities listed below. A minimum of twelve (12) must be presented at each of the low income family sites.
- How Drugs affect the body
- Drug abuse and pregnancy
- Aid and transmitted diseases
- Encourage parents and their children
- Social relationships
- Effective parenting skills
- Daily and independent living skills
- Vocational skills
- Nutrition
- Sexuality
- Techniques on crime prevention

Experience in the area of drug education and services to urban Youth and families is required. In addition, consultants will design and conduct the stated activities to enhance Youth and their families awareness and knowledge on methods to reduce the demand for drug use, and to build self-esteem and an improved self-image for youths.

All requested proposals should be designed for a twelve (12) month calendar schedule to be completed by June 1993.

The selected bidder will be required to properly execute a contract with the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH within five (5) working days of award notification.

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all formalities.

All proposals should be returned in a SEALED ENVELOPE marked on the outside SCOPE OF SERVICES-PUBLIC HOUSING DRUG ELIMINATION PROJECT-EDUCATION COORDINATOR and addressed to: Mr. Joseph A. Manfredi, Executive Director, HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, 688 Maple Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ 07202 and received no later than 4:00 pm on Wednesday, May 19, 1993.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH  
JOSEPH A. MANFREDI  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
5/5/93

## RE-BID REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR YOUTH/SPORTS CONSULTANT

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, New Jersey is seeking a Youth/Sports Consultant to work with the Drug Elimination Program. The consultant would be responsible for the total operation of the Youth/Sports Program in the three (3) housing developments.

- The activities would include, but not be limited to:
  - \* Motivational and/or drug seminars
  - \* Role Model Speakers
  - \* Youth Sports such as:
    - Basketball
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    - Track & Field
    - Soccer
    - Softball
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The consultant would be responsible for conducting a summer program as well as an after school program throughout the school year.

Proposal should include budget outline.

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Housing Authority of the City of Elizabeth  
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## ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER/RAIL TERMINAL ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY

Proposals are invited by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority for Testing and Inspection Services for the construction of the Atlantic City Convention Center.

Request for Proposal criteria may be either picked up at the offices of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 701, Atlantic City, NJ 08401, or requested by mail or facsimile (609-343-2189).

No phone inquiries will be accepted. Written submissions are due by before 4:00 p.m., May 11, 1993 and must be submitted to Joseph C. Mendolia, Director of Construction, New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 701, Atlantic City, NJ 08401.

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## NOTICE

The Housing Authority of the City of Salem is postponing the receipt of bids for miscellaneous apartment renovation at the Salem Garden Court Project, originally due on Wednesday, April 28, 1993 at 11:00 a.m. to Friday, May 14, 1993 at 10:00 a.m. Prospective bidders will be contacted in the near future, through an addendum and advertisement, regarding this postponement.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that representatives of the Housing Authority of Plainfield will meet in the Housing offices at 510 East Front Street in Plainfield, New Jersey on Friday, May 21, 1993 at 2:00 p.m., prevailing time, and then there will open sealed bid proposals received up to 2:00 p.m. for:

Lead Removal Project at Elmwood Gardens Apartments

including all work incidental thereto, as defined by plans and specifications prepared by Princeton Testing Laboratory, Inc., U.S. 1, Princeton, Service Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08540, (609) 452-9500.

It is prerequisite to bidding that each bidder attend a pre-bid meeting at the Main Office of the Elmwood Gardens Apartments, 532 W. 2nd Street, Plainfield, New Jersey at 10:00 a.m., prevailing time, on Thursday, May 6, 1993 for the purpose of inspecting the premises. Project specifications may be obtained for a non-refundable fee of \$50.00.

Each bidder before submitting a bid, must first have been prequalified, in accordance with NJ State Statutes, Chapter #105 Public Laws, 1929, by the Division of Building and Construction, Department of the Treasury, and a notarized affidavit to this effect must accompany his bid.

All bids shall be submitted on the "Form of Bid" forms furnished by Princeton Testing Laboratory, Inc. Bids may be delivered in person at the hour and date named above, or before. No bids will be accepted after the appointed hour. Bids shall be directed to the attention of the Executive Director, Richard Eck, of the Housing Authority of Plainfield. The Housing Authority of Plainfield accepts no responsibility for bids sent by mail.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of 10% of the total Bid, made payable to the Housing Authority of Plainfield, from a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey, and each bid shall be accompanied also by a further Certificate from such Surety Company certifying that in the event the Bidder abandons the Contract and shall omit or refuse, within ten days from the date that the Bidder may be notified that the Contract has been awarded to the Bidder, to deliver a Contract and to deliver a Contract, the Bidder shall be liable for the amount mentioned in the Specifications, and such additional terms which may be required by the Owner, the Surety Company will pay to the Owner on demand, without proof of such omission or refusal, any difference between the sum which the said Bidder would be entitled to receive on completion of the Contract in accordance with his bid, and the sum which the Owner may be obliged to pay the Bidder by whom such Contract is executed.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish an acceptable Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bond to the Owner in the full amount of the Contract in such form as the Owner may prescribe and with Suresties as he may approve. CONSENT TO SURETY MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE Bid or within 5 days of bid receipt.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of the following New Jersey Statutes and federal law.

P.L. 1975, Chapter 127-Alternative Act P.L. 1977, Chapter 33

Statement of Corporate Ownership

Davis Bacon Wage Rate

Previous Participation Certificate

Contracts will further obligate the Contractors and Sub-Contractors to off-site domestic materials for this project, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A-18A-20 and to sign an affidavit of Non-Collusion.

Each bidder who is a foreign Corporation or one that is a Corporation not chartered under the laws of the State of New Jersey, must submit with his bid an affidavit executed by the President of the Corporation, stating in said affidavit that said Corporation is in accordance with laws of the State of New Jersey.

All items must be in strict accordance with the Specifications and will be subjected to the approval of the Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Plainfield. Should any dispute arise respecting the true intentions and meaning of these Specifications, same shall be decided by the contract and the Executive Director and his decision shall be final and conclusive. Bidder must be known to be engaged in the business and well qualified to carry out his contract, and satisfactory testimonials to that effect must be furnished if required.

The Owner expressly reserves the unrestricted right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, accept and enter into contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the project, or to combine proposals to waive any individual bid, and the bids and accompanying documents received, should it be deemed in the best interests of the Owner.

In the event the Housing Authority of Plainfield is closed, bids will be accepted at the bid time and place on the next day that the offices are open.

4/28/93 & 5/5/93

## ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER/RAIL TERMINAL ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY

Proposals are invited by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority for Reproduction of Bid Documents for Contract #7 General Contractor for the Atlantic City Convention Center.

Proposal criteria will be available for pick-up starting Tuesday, May 4, 1993 at the offices of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 701, Atlantic City, NJ 08401. Proposal criteria may also be requested by mail or facsimile (609-343-2189). No phone inquiries will be accepted.

Written submissions are due by or before 4:00 p.m., May 14, 1993 and must be submitted to Joseph C. Mendolia, Director of Construction, New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 701, Atlantic City, NJ 08401.

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## HELP WANTED

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The Township of Montclair is seeking interested individuals who are at least 18 years of age and meet the following qualifications:

- Resident of the State of New Jersey
- Successfully pass a medical exam
- Successfully pass a police background check
- Written Examination
- Oral and Psychological Examination
- Valid New Jersey drivers license

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908-753-036

## INVITATION TO BID ASBURY PARK HOUSING AUTHORITY AND URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

1000% THIRD AVENUE, ASBURY PARK, NEW JERSEY 07712  
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Housing Authority of the City of Asbury Park for Elevator Service Contract at N.J. 7-5 and 7-7 at the above project unit on May 20, 1993 at its office at 1000% Third Avenue, Asbury Park, New Jersey 07712 at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids must be on standard proposal forms in the manner demonstrated and required by the specifications, must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder and the name of the work to be performed on the outside, addressed to the Housing Authority of the City of Asbury Park and must be accompanied by the following:

An agreement of surety (consent of surety) in which the surety company agrees to post a performance bond in the amount of the contract is awarded to its principal.

Bid bond or certified check to the order of the Housing Authority of the City of Asbury Park in the amount of 10 percent of the total amount of the bid.

A non collusion affidavit or a statement of individual ownership, ten percent or more of the stock of the bidder corporation or bid partnership pursuant to L.P. 1077 c.33. Bidders are required to comply with the requirement of Public Law PL 107 P 127 relating to affirmative action requirements of the State of New Jersey and executive order #11246 entitled "equal employment opportunities" #11375 and supplemented in the Department of Labor's regulations. The successful bidders shall also be required to comply to the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the law and federal minimum wages and regulations that apply to projects that are funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Authority shall issue a contract with a two year full maintenance and service coverage which will begin on the first day of the month in which the contract is signed.

The Housing Authority of the City of Asbury Park reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bids when such action is deemed to be in the best interest of the Authority. Bid documents for the proposed work can be obtained at the office of the Housing Authority of the City of Asbury Park, 1000% Third Avenue, Asbury Park, N.J. 07712 by depositing a check for (none) for each set of documents to be obtained. Such deposit will be non refundable to non bidders and unsuccessful bidders rendering the documents unusable for future use. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the Housing Authority of the City of Asbury Park.

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## ADVERTISING SALES

Advertising sales for major area radio station. New Jersey area resident with minimum 2 years radio sales experience must. Experience dealing with agencies and direct retail in New Jersey with emphasis on business to business development (no trainees). Must be creative and understand advertising and marketing. Please send resume to: Harry Mitchell, c/o WPAT Radio, 1396 Broad Street, Clifton, New Jersey 07013. No phone calls. Equal Opportunity Employer.

## ASSISTANT EDITOR

Publishing company located in Plainfield is looking for an experienced candidate to fill an entry level assistant position. Must have strong editing skills and an excellent command of the English language and grammar. Must be flexible, not a size and ready for growth. Reply with resume and writing samples to: City News, PO Box 1774, Plainfield, NJ 07061.

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# Sportlight

by R.L. Greene

She's a half-inch shorter than four-foot-nine and weighs just 80 pounds. She will begin her senior year at Gathensburg High School in Maryland this fall.

Yes, looks are deceiving. This wispy of a girl is one of the world's top athletes in a sport that combines equal portions of skill, grace and power.

Her teammates call her "Awesome Dawesone," and if you've ever seen Dominique Dawes in action, either live or on television, then you definitely have to agree with the nickname.

Oh, yes, the spotlight in Birmingham, England, recently was on Shannon Miller, the 16-year-old blonde from Edmond, Okla., who won three gold medals at the World Gymnastics Championships. But Miller knows her biggest competition came not from the Russians nor the Romanians, but from a little black girl from Silver Spring, Md.

And when the tumbling, jumping, twisting, turning, spinning and twirling were completed, "Awesome Dawesone" had harvested two silver medals.

Miller and Dawes won the gold and silver medals on the uneven parallel bars, the first time the U.S. has ever finished one-two in a gymnastic event on the world stage, either at the World Championships or the Olympics.

"I was very excited when I won the silver medal since I made a small mistake on the routine," Dawes said. "My experience in the World Championships was very exciting and has helped my ranking."

This wasn't the first time Dawes has sparked in international competition. At the Barcelona Olympics last year, she garnered a bronze medal in the team competition. Also last year, "Awesome" reached the semifinals at the World Gymnastics Championships in Paris.

She is the reigning national champion on the uneven bars and scored her first perfect mark of 10.0 in an international competition on floor exercise at the U.S. vs. Japan dual meet.

And there's an even bigger reason for Dawes to be called "Awesome." Despite her daily hours of practice to remain at such a high international level, Dominique is a member of her high school's honor roll - proving yet again that a world-class athlete need not be a functional illiterate, that athletics and booksmarts can exist if we allow them and demand it to be.

While "Awesome Dawesone" was performing in England, Jair Lynch was in Albuquerque, N.M., leading Stanford University to its second consecutive NCAA gymnastics team title. Lynch also won an individual gold medal on the parallel bars.

Like Dawes, Lynch participated in the Barcelona Olympic Games. But his disastrous vault helped knock the United States men out of a medal. In the vault, Lynch over-rotated and ended up off the mat, which means the judges automatically throw out the score.

But Atlanta is looked on by both "Awesome Dawesone" and Lynch as the stage to put together the final performances of their career.

There have been many other black gymnasts representing the United States in Olympic competition. They've even won medals.

But black competitors have yet to capture a gold medal in the Olympic Games, an omission that Dawes, Lynch and several others want to change when the quadrennial gathering of the world's best athletes convene in Atlanta in 1996.

The first black gymnast to make the U.S. Olympic team was Willie Gillmore, Jr., the son of the legendary

Florida A&M and Chicago Bears running back. But Gillmore's year was 1980 and that was when President Jimmy Carter kept the Americans home from the Moscow Olympics. (Remember those platitudes about not mixing sports and politics?)

Then, at the Seoul Games in 1988, Charles Lakes became the first black

gymnast to actually compete for the United States in the Olympics. At Barcelona, the top black gymnast was Betty Okino.

But Dominique Dawes wants more than just any old medal at Atlanta. She's going for the gold.

Which is just awesome, no matter how you look at it.

## Mississippi jail hangings

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 tions against Mississippi until the matter is resolved.

Rev. Lowery told the Commission on Human Rights Abuse in Mississippi, "We are outraged with what Mississippi is doing to its black and poor citizens, thus we must also call for sanctions against Mississippi and all of its goods and services."

Tisdale and local leaders say,

"By targeting Mississippi for convention boycotts on goods and services, local Mississippians, as well as national and international groups, can take actions designed to wake Mississippi up."

Some of the targeted industries in Mississippi are poultry, which is worth \$4 billion-a-year and supplies 80 percent of the world's chickens; catfish, which generates \$1.5 billion; forest

products, including furniture manufacturing and paper and saw mills, which contribute \$4 billion-a-year, and cotton and soybean products.

Tisdale says that the nation should join a boycott if the state refuses to change. "Medgar Evers led a successful boycott 30 years ago. We now need true leaders to rise and continue the struggle for social and economic justice."

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## A vote for children

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